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TO DIA WASHDC PRIORITY

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C O N F I D E N T I A L NAIROBI 8225

FOR DEP SECDEF ELLSWORTH

FOR GEN WILSON, MG CRITTENBERGER, AND MG FAURER FROM
LTC ANDERSON, DLO

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI, KE, US

SUBJECT: PROPOSED EXTENSION OF DLO TDY

REF: A. STATE 191659, DTG 031535Z AUG 76

B. NAIROBI 8152, DTG 031440Z AUG 76

C. DIA 3811, DTG 032031Z AUG 76

D. NAIROBI 8155, DTG 031510Z AUG 76

1. (C) REF B REPORT THAT SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS HAS BEEN
MADE IN OUR EFFORTS TO OBTAIN A FAVORABLE RESPONSE FROM
THE GOK FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DEFENSE ATTACHE
OFFICE (DAO) HERE. THESE NEGOTIATIONS ARE NOW AT A
VERY DELICATE STAGE IN THAT THE MATTER MUST BE PRE-
SENTED TO PRESIDENT KENYATTA FOR A DECISION. AN
APPROACH TO EXTEND MY TOUR HERE FOR 15 MORE DAYS COULD
JEOPARDIZE THESE NEGOTIATIONS AND PRODUCE A NEGATIVE
RESPONSE FROM THE GOK FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

A. GOK OFFICIALS HAVE THE CLEAR UNDERSTANDING

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THAT I AM HERE TEMPORARILY TO REPORT MILITARY INFOR-

MATION AND TO PROPOSE THE DAO QUESTION WITHOUT ASSUMING THAT THE RESPONSE WILL BE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THESE OFFICIALS ARE VERY JEALOUS OF THEIR PREROGATIVE TO DECIDE THIS TYPE OF ISSUE, AND I HAVE TRIED TO DEMONSTRATE THAT IT IS NOT OUR INTENT TO PRESUME UPON THAT PREROGATIVE. IT WOULD BE UNWISE TO GIVE THE IMPRESSION THAT A USDAO HAS IN EFFECT BEEN ESTABLISHED BEFORE A DECISION IS MADE BY THE GOK TO PERMIT IT.

B. AFTER THE DCM AND I MET WITH MOD PERMSEC KIEREINI YESTERDAY, I FELT THAT HE MIGHT BE OUR FRIEND IN COURT WHEN THE DAO QUESTION IS RAISED WITH PRESIDENT KENYATTA. IF CORRECT IN THIS BELIEF, HIS FAVORABLE DISPOSITION IS BASED IN PART ON THE PROFESSIONAL AND CREDIBLE IMAGE I HAVE TRIED TO PROJECT WITH HIM AND IN DEALING WITH THE OFFICERS OF HIS MINISTRY. HE EXPECTS ME TO LEAVE KENYA SOON. I FEEL IT WOULD BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE TO GIVE HIM THE IMPRESSION THAT WE ARE PUSHY OR IMPATIENT. HE MIGHT THEN SUSPECT THAT THERE ARE OTHER MOTIVES INVOLVED.

C. WHILE THE NEED REMAINS FOR REPORTING ON MILITARY DEVELOPMENTS HERE, REF D REFLECTS THAT TENSION IN THE AREA HAS EASED SOMEWHAT. THE NEED FOR A PERMANENT DAO HERE IS FAR MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE NEED FOR TWO MORE WEEKS OF DLO REPORTING.

2. (C) THE AMBASSADOR CONCURS IN THE VIEWS STATED ABOVE.

3. (C) URGENTLY REQUEST YOUR RECONSIDERATION OF MY PROPOSED EXTENSION HERE FOR A FULL ADDITIONAL 15 DAYS. I NOW PLAN TO DEPART NAIROBI ON 9 AUG 76 WHICH WILL BE 21 DAYS AFTER MY DEPARTURE FROM WASHINGTON, OR A 6-DAY SELF-IMPOSED EXTENSION. I BELIEVE THE JOB I WAS SENT TO DO WILL HAVE BEEN DONE.

4. (C) PROPOSED ITINERARY FOLLOWS:
DEP NAIROBI 0155 HRS 9 AUG 76 VIA LH 541
ARR FRANKFURT 0755 HRS
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DEP FRANKFURT 0925 HRS 9 AUG 76 VIA LH 940
ARR STUTTGART 1005 HRS (FOR USCINCEUR DEBRIEFING)
DEP STUTTGART 0845 HRS 10 AUG 76 VIA AF 757
ARR PARIS 1100 HRS
DEP PARIS 1245 HRS 10 AUG 76 VIA TW 891
ARR WASH (DULLES) 1530 HRS

5. (U) FOR USCINCEUR: REQUEST TRANSPORT FROM AND TO

AIRPORT AND OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS NIGHT 9 AUG 76.

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